Issues for Future Systems Costing

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Two Costing Issues

- Determine how much and who pays for shared data and services in future net-centric programs

- Determine cost implications of including training plans early in the JCIDS and Acquisition processes

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Considerations

- Streamlining Acquisition
  - **Lean 6 Sigma**
  - **Concept Decision Pilot Programs**
  - **Other**

- Costing of shared infrastructure

- Include detailed Training Plans and details up-front in Concept Decision and as Program KPPs

Streamlining Acquisition

- **Some problems with acquisition?**
  - **Slow**
  - **Significant labor requirements to satisfy the "process"**
    - **Services report they are spending too much time and money producing acquisition documents which no one reads**
  - **Capabilities frequently reach concept decision and enter into Milestone A or A/B without sufficient "concept refinement"**
  - **Senior managers request need for analysis driving decisions for program start up or go – no go earlier in concept process**
- **Recent Improvement Initiatives**
  - **Lean 6 Sigma working group looked at documents and timing of process - outcome?**
  - **Four Concept Decision Pilot Programs were formed to expedite critical programs**
  - **Use Technology Readiness Levels to reign in "over optimism"**

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GIG Background

Global Information Grid (GIG) – "is a globally interconnected, end to end set of information capabilities, associated processing, and personnel for collecting, processing, storing, disseminating, and managing information on demand"

- Net-Centric Enterprise Services (NCES)
  - **Service-Oriented Architecture Foundation (SOAF)**
  - **Collaboration**
  - **Discovery & Delivery**
  - **Portal**
- Net-Enabled Command Capability
  - **Net-Centric data strategy (2003)**
  - **C2 in a net-centric environment (2005)**
  - **Provide data and information needed for timely, informed decisions**

Allocating Shared Costs

- **DoD has no established process (or understanding of need?) for sponsoring enterprise-level efforts**
  - DISA GIG programs example
  - Training Transformation (T2) business model gets at the issue to incentivize Services and Agencies to collaborate on common capabilities
  - Joint Simulation System
- **Net-centric environments of the future will require more sharing of infrastructure, data and models**

- **Related issues**
  - Systems interoperability
  - Joint Program Management across programs
  - Up-front systems engineering
  - Redundant costs across enterprise
  - Additional incremental costs for reuse

Training Implications

- **Focus on training during concept development**
  - Training Plans fleshed out in concept definition
  - Training objectives drive use of simulators, simulations and on-line training tools as part of systems design
  - Ensure learning and performance factors are considered
- **Determine training needs over program life**
  - Establish training as a Key Performance Parameter
  - Include training simulators or training systems for operators/crews prior to introduction of hardware system
  - Include development and operational testing with engineering approach to training
- **Related issues**
  - Safety
  - Joint Program Management
  - Up-front systems engineering
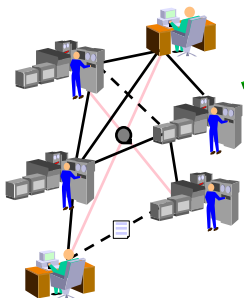 - Provide continuous training environment
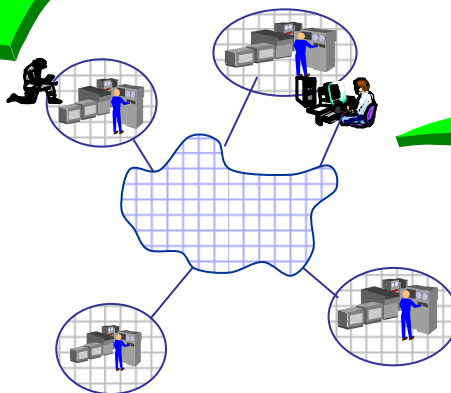
Questions?

Road to
Net-Centric Operations

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GIG with Enterprise Services

- *Stovepipe systems*
- *Little or no interoperability*
- *Some network connections*

- *More networks*
- *Some web services*
- *Various directory & security services*
- *Uncoordinated Service/Functional IT transformations*
- *Few authoritative data sources*
- *Network-Centric, but not Net-Centric*

Net-centric Enterprise Service Providers

The GIG

- *Pervasive networks*
- *Accurate, timely & relevant info to the edge*
- *…it's all about the data…*
- *Services Oriented*
- *Dynamically composable architectures*
- *Mission-effective applications*
- *Assured, interoperable enterprise services*